

SAYS WHOLESALE MARKET ISOLATED

Supt. Sherman Recommends to Commissioners It Be Moved.

BENEFIT TO CONSUMER

Too Far from Railroad and Water Transportation, He Says, in Urging Change.

Declaring that Washington's wholesale district is so isolated from railroad and water transportation that the city does not get as much benefit from it as it should, John Sherman, superintendent of weights, measures, and markets, yesterday recommended to the District Commissioners that the market be moved to a more suitable location.

He commented on the situation as follows: "Washington is almost unique among the larger cities, in that the wholesale market district here is isolated from either railroad or navigable water. In the days when Washington lived mainly on the products of the immediately surrounding sections, brought in on farm wagons, this condition was not serious. But under modern conditions, with the vast majority of wholesalers drawing their supplies in large quantities from distant points by rail or water, this improper location necessitates a tremendous amount of expensive transportation and rehandling, with accompanying increase of waste through spoilage and other losses, all of which must be regained through higher prices to retailers and ultimately to the consuming public.

Savings Through Wholesaler.

"The average citizen, when he thinks of the city's market problems at all, thinks of retail markets, since the retail business is the only form of marketing with which he comes into contact, yet it is the consensus of opinion among all who have exhaustively studied this problem, that the greatest savings to be accomplished are to be made through better organization of the wholesale markets, and improvement of the facilities for receiving, storing, refrigerating, and distributing wholesale quantities of food products at the terminal stations.

"Washington is doubly unfortunate in that the wholesale business is not only badly located, but is also badly organized. The competition that exists is the wrong kind of competition. Cut-throat methods exist, which, while legal, and perfectly good according to business ethics, and exactly what the average citizen not a student of the subject would nevertheless result in actual losses of products, and greatly increased prices to the consuming public.

Would Move Wholesale Business.
"The wholesale business should be moved to some location where both water and railroad transportation are available. Here should be developed a union freight terminal with modern marketing facilities. Refrigeration should be provided for both temporary and long storage, and there should be refrigerated rooms into which refrigerated cars could discharge their contents without change of temperature and consequent injury to the goods. Separate parts of the market should be devoted to the sale of different products, but the market should be so arranged that a dealer could buy various supplies without going too far. Efficient means of delivery of goods sold, not by individuals but by the market, should be developed as part of the general improvement.

"Until the public can be made to recognize that this is the really fundamental problem, and that its solution lies in guiding and helping, rather than criticizing and coercing, the dealers, we will make but little progress toward fundamentally better conditions."

Taxicab Valuation Completed.
Valuation of the properties of the taxicab companies has been completed by the Public Utilities Commission, and the rate question will be next for investigation. The amount of the valuation completed yesterday probably will not be made public for several weeks.

In proportion of its area Belgium has more railroads than any other country.

BREAD NOT TO BE HIGHER.

Washington Bakers Do Not Expect to Make Increase in Price.

Washington bakers denied yesterday that they looked for an increase in the price of bread because of the European war, although the cost of flour has materially advanced within the past few months. In fact, they declare, their net returns show very little change over this time last year.

That they do not predict an increased bread cost or look for a cutting down of the weight of the loaves is due to several causes, one being that nearly all of the large baking firms had laid in large supplies of flour before the price jumped, and another being the cutting down of "bakers' returns" or bread that has been returned to the plant by retailers because of no sales.

Housewives are now turning to the bakers for their bread, instead of baking it themselves. This alone, one firm declared, would overcome any disadvantage caused by the increase in the cost of flour.

RELEASE OF RESERVES SHOWN IN STATEMENT

Nearly \$600,000,000 Now Being Held Which Is Not Required Under New Law.

Comptroller of the Currency John Skelton Williams last night made public a statement of the amount of reserves which will be released in the national banks in each of the twelve Federal reserve districts when the new currency system goes into operation on November 16. The statement is based upon the deposits of the banks as shown in their last reports to the Comptroller, dated September 12.

According to one of the Comptroller's tabulations the reserves held by the banks in all of the districts totaled \$1,576,000,000. This total was \$116,000,000 in excess of the amount required under the old law and \$30,000,000 more than will be required under the new law.

The following table shows the amount of reserves held by the banks of each district on September 12 and the amounts in which these totals are in excess of the requirements of the old and new laws:

WADE PLAN MADE PUBLIC.

Detailed Memorandum Shows Administration of Cotton Pool.

The Federal Reserve Board made public yesterday a detailed memorandum outlining the Wade plan for a \$15,000,000 cotton pool, which was approved by the board October 1.

The memorandum was submitted to the Federal Reserve Board by a bankers' committee from New York and St. Louis sets forth the conditions under which subscriptions are to be made to the pool and under which loans shall be made to banks in the cotton-producing States.

The fund is to be administered under the direction of the individual members of the Federal Reserve board, who shall place the task of the general administration on a "cotton loan committee," consisting of the following men: W. P. Harding, of the Federal Reserve Board, chairman; Paul M. Warburg, of Federal Reserve Board; Col. E. M. House, Austin, Tex.; Albert H. Wiggin, of New York; James S. Alexander, New York; James B. Forgan, Chicago, Ill.; F. J. Wade, St. Louis, Mo.; and William A. Gaston, Boston, Mass.

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Leave of absence for three days is granted Lieut. Col. Robert L. Hirt, Infantry.

NAVAL ORDERS.
Capt. DeWitt Coffman, to Naval War College.

Capt. William R. Rush, to commandant, navy yard, Boston, Mass.

Lieut. W. P. Newton to command H. J. (junior grade) W. R. Munroe, to Union Iron Works, San Francisco, and State Shipbuilding Company, Long Beach, Cal.

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DEGREES FOR G. W. U. STUDENTS.
Twelve Candidates to Be Presented at Fall Convocation Today.

Degrees will be given to twelve students of George Washington University at the fall convocation at 12:15 o'clock today at the assembly hall of the Arts and Sciences Building, 2023 G street northwest.

Candidates will be presented by Dean William Allen Wilbur, of Columbian College; Dean Carl Ruediger, of Teachers' College; Dean Charles Edward Munroe, of the School of Graduate Studies, and

HAS LITTLE FAITH IN RUSSIA'S POWER

Simon Wolf, on Seventy-eighth Birthday, Questions Promise to Poland.

SEES HOPE IN GERMANY

Believes if that Country Wins War Kaiser Will Bring Pressure in Interest of Jews.

Simon Wolf, well-known local attorney, and, for many years leader of Jewish activities in the United States, yesterday celebrated his seventy-eighth birthday. When called upon he gave a lengthy account of his ideas as to how the European war will effect his race—the Jew. Mr. Wolf said he doubted that the Russian government would fulfill the promise it is said to have made that it will give Poland home rule in return for loyalty during the present war. He said that the diplomatic representatives of Russia in this city has refused to confirm this promise.

Mr. Wolf said that if the Russian government should carry out such a promise it would be the greatest step forward that country has ever taken. He said there are 6,000,000 Jews in Russia and most of this number are in Poland. Self-government in Poland would, he said, relieve the United States of the burden of caring for 75,000 Jewish emigrants a year, who are forced to come to this country because of the abnormal conditions in Poland.

Places Hope in Germany.

This great number of Jews, said Mr. Wolf, are compelled to learn a new language and conform to a civilization they have not been used to. He said such changes were not always good for them. He said he believed, however, that if Germany came out victorious in the present war, the Kaiser would bring some influence to bear on the Russian government to obtain for the Jews of Poland the freedom they enjoy in Germany. In view of the burden of which it would relieve the United States, Mr. Wolf said he hoped that this government will, at the conclusion of the war, take steps to procure freedom for the Jews of Poland and Roumania. He said the idea was not a new one.

It is in his "Roumanian note" when he was Secretary of State. In this note Mr. Hay declared that the persecution of Jews in Poland led to an abnormal influx of those people into the United States, and that the act was considered an unfriendly one.

In closing his remarks Mr. Wolf said that, although he has lived here for more than fifty years, he hopes to see the day when Washington will be even greater as the Nation's Capital than it is today. He was born in Himsweiler, Bavaria, October 28, 1836. He was honored by friends at the Commercial Club.

ARMY ORDERS.

Second Lieut. Frank R. Jordan, Twenty-seventh Infantry, upon the expiration of his present sick leave, will proceed to the Walter Reed General Hospital, D. C., for observation and treatment.

First Lieut. Irving J. Palmer, Thirtieth Infantry, upon the expiration of leave of absence, will report to the commanding officer, Plattsburg Barracks, N. Y., for duty.

A board of officers is appointed to meet tomorrow, Nov. 1, for the purpose of appointment as chaplain in the army. Detail for the board: Maj. M. A. W. Reynolds, Medical Corps; Capt. George H. Shelton, Twenty-ninth Infantry; Capt. Roy Reynolds, Medical Corps; Capt. Stephen R. Wood, Twenty-ninth Infantry; First Lieut. Charles A. Dravo, Twenty-ninth Infantry; and First Lieut. James G. McIlroy, Twenty-ninth Infantry.

Chaplain Haywood L. Winter, United States Army, assigned to the Eighteenth Infantry.

Maj. Alexander M. Davis, Quartermaster Corps, will proceed to Leavenworth, Kansas, for inspection of subsistence stores situated at that place.

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Dean Everett Fraser, of the law school. Rear Admiral Stockton, president of the university, will deliver the address to the graduates.

These are the candidates: Charles Henry Tyler, Townsend, doctor of philosophy; Joseph Philip Bader, George Henry Bader, Jr., and John Andrew Infante, bachelor of arts; Miss Margaret Infante, bachelor of arts and diploma of education; Cecil Cooper Fraser and Paul Green, bachelor of laws; Miss Mary Josephine Whittier, master of arts; and William Winter Bradley, Jr., and William Chamberlain Crawford, Robert Franklin Gardner, and Harry Church Oberholzer, master of science.

MISS MYERS BECOMES BRIDE.

Weds Samuel Dalton Fraser at Anacostia P. E. Church.

Miss Corinne Myers, of Anacostia, became the bride of Samuel Dalton Fraser, last evening in Emmanuel Episcopal Church, Thirteenth and V streets southeast. Rev. Willard G. Davenport, rector of the church, performed the ceremony. The bride was given in marriage by her father, Mr. S. D. Fraser, who acted as master of honor, while George E. Fraser, brother of the bridegroom, acted as best man. The bridesmaids, Misses Anna Parson and Winifred Myers, the latter a sister of the bride, and Miss Vera Paulson, of New York City, were the bridesmaids. Samuel W. Pumphrey, Robert Brooks Dalton, James W. Marbury, Charles V. Ertler and D. Rissuto were the ushers. Immediately following the ceremony, a reception was held at the new home of the couple, 2313 Chester street.

Mr. W. T. Anderson, commanding the eleventh precinct, is on leave of absence. He has gone to visit a brother in West Virginia.

Nearly 200 relatives and friends of Mr. and Mrs. Thomas F. Williamson, gathered at their home, 3031 Nichols avenue, last night to assist in the commemorative of the twenty-fifth wedding anniversary of that couple.

John H. Sanford and Miss Mildred Denison, of Gettysburg, D. C., were quietly married last evening at 1 o'clock in the parsonage of St. Teresa's Catholic Church, by Rev. Father C. M. Bart.

JUROR OPPOSED TO "PEN."

James R. Cooper, Colored, Relieved from Duty.

The secret of several recent verdicts in Criminal Court No. 1 that were a surprise to Assistant District Attorney Samuel M. Hawken is believed by that official to have been uncovered yesterday. A policeman informed Mr. Hawken that James R. Cooper, a colored juror, had told someone out of court that he "would send no man to the penitentiary."

Yesterday morning as soon as court convened the assistant district attorney took the matter up with the Chief Justice and Cooper was called upon to explain. His explanation not being satisfactory to the court, he was relieved of further jury duty. Cooper had served as juror in four cases, two of which had resulted in acquittal. On one of these juries were four colored men.

WILL KEEP UP CARMAN FIGHT.

District Attorney to Oppose Any Effort to Have Indictment Quashed.

Minneapolis, N. Y., Oct. 28.—District Attorney Lewis J. Smith, of Nassau County, declared today that he would oppose vigorously any effort on the part of counsel for Mrs. Florence Carman to have the indictment charging her with the murder of Mrs. Louise Bailey, dismissed.

Yesterday Mrs. Carman will have to stand trial a second time on the charge of shooting Mrs. Bailey in Dr. Carman's office in Freeport, said the district attorney. "I will oppose the dismissal of the indictment and if attorneys for Mrs. Carman try to have it set aside I will oppose any such action with vigor."

Mrs. Carman, who was released on \$50,000 bail yesterday, held a conference with her lawyers this afternoon at her home in Freeport to decide on the next step.

In the District Courts

After bequeathing \$5 to each of his children, Raymond L. Ford, of this city, gives the residue of his estate to his wife, Celynda Werner Ford, by a will filed for probate yesterday. The wife is also appointed executrix. The children are Mary Annette, Celynda, Edgar W. and Raymond L. Ford, Jr.

The will of Patrick Phillips, also of this city, leaves all to his wife, Leina Phillips, and appoints her executrix. This estate includes house 121 Second street northwest.

President Commutes Sentences.
The President yesterday commuted two prison sentences. The first was the case of Joseph Rivers, who had been sentenced to life imprisonment in Indian Territory. He had served the equivalent of eighteen years, counting allowance for good behavior. Vincent Orlando, who had served five years of a six-year term for passing counterfeit money in New York, was the second to profit by the President's leniency.

Scottish Clans to Entertain.
Clan McLeannan, No. 23, will give a concert and dance tomorrow evening in Pythian Temple. The clans are making great preparations for a novel Halloween entertainment consisting of Scottish songs, dances and Scottish costumes.

Mine Sinks Maria Christina.
Rotterdam, Oct. 28.—The motor lugger Maria Christina, from Vardingen, was sunk by a mine forty miles northwest of Ynuiden today and her crew of ten lost.

THE GREAT WHITE WAY

By O. O. MINTYRE.

Special Correspondent of The Washington Herald.
New York, Oct. 28.—Roy L. McCordell, the Evening World's humorist, is one of our prominent tobacco andersons and is also making an enviable record between times as a tinner of prizes. Despite the promises of the moving picture schools that fortunes are to be made writing scenarios, there are not many people getting rich at it, but McCordell is an exception to the general rule. He has been writing scenarios for fourteen years and has sold more than 1,300. Only recently he picked up a \$1,000 prize in the Morning Telegraph's scenario contest with a scenario called "A Jay in Peacock Alley." In 1911 he won \$2,000 in an advertising contest which was used in the Morning Telegraph's scenario contest.

McCordell won his way to fame in a fine automobile in another writing contest and last week he won \$100 for the best humorous sketch in a weekly magazine. He is now on his way to New York originally when he came to New York to see the famous picture show at the Palace.

Some one asked him if he had ever heard of "Yonkers" he replied, "what are they?"

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"I'm learning to play the bull fiddle," said the youth, poking up his ticket, "and I want to see how your man handles him."

He started away but returned. "By the way, what's the show here?" he asked.

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